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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 14th-October, through Sunday, 21st-October there were 227 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5W, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZL, ZP, ZS

*** PLEASE NOTE:** The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B9, RODRIGUES ISLAND

The 3B9SP DXpedition is close to going QRT. The operation is expected to go QRT October

23rd. According to the ClubLog Web page, as of 1455z, October 21st, 3B9SP has made 18715 QSOs with 8211 unique callsigns (11213/CW, 6353/SSB, 890/RTTY and 259/PSK). Breakdown by continent is: 176/AF, 0/AN, 3690/AS, 9177/EU, 5279/NA, 290/OC and 103/SA. QSL via HB9ACA direct or use the OQRS on ClubLog. The logs will be uploaded to LotW within 6 months after the DX Operation. For more details and updates, see:

http://hb9fr.ch/3b9sp

5H, TANZANIA (Senior Moment For Editor!)

Last week we reported that Noel, WB0VGI, informed OPDX that he is now operational in Iringa, Tanzania. However, your editor forgot to put Noel's callsign in the announcement. His callsign is 5H3NP, and he will be there until December 17th. Oper- ations will be on CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign.

5X, UGANDA (Back On!)

Nick, G3RWF, who was expected to be active this October as 5X1NH from Uganda for two months but then postponed his trip, has now announced that he will return on November 6th for 5 weeks. He should be on 80-10 meters, possibly 160m, and he prefers to operate CW but will also be on the Digital modes with some SSB. Nick will probably also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest and the ARRL 10m Contest. QSL via his home callsign.

9V, SINGAPORE

Koichi, JR1MLT, is currently active as 9V1KK from Singapore. He is there because of his job, and he informs OPDX that he expects to be in Singapore for "five years or so (up to economy and market)". His station is very much limited due to the residential conditions. Koichi mentions that he currently lives on the 10th floor of a condo and his antenna is much restricted. Koichi just put up a long wire with the ATU for the HF bands (40-10m) with 100 watts. He operates mostly on SSB and CW. However, he travels extensively and his operating time is limited, but he will get on the air as much as possible. QSL via JH1ILX direct.

9Y4, TRINDADE AND TOBAGO

Chris, 9Y4D (ex-9Y4NZ), will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/High-Power entry. QSL via 9Y4D (see **(QRZ.com)**).

A22, BOTSWANA

Schalk, ZS3O, from Sandbaai, South Africa, was active as A22LL this past weekend from Lobatse, Botswana. He informed OPDX that he has a farm in Lobatse and will be in there "every 2nd weekend". When there, Schalk mentioned that he will be on the 20m band operating CW and SSB. Watch 14020 kHz for CW and between 14180-14240 kHz for SSB (mostly on 14200 kHz calling CQ. QSL via his home callsign, direct and by the Bureau. NO LoTW.

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS

Operators Kuniyoshi/7L1FPU (W1FPU), Moto/JE1NDE (W1NDE), Naoyuki/JK1FNL (NA8O), Yuzo/JQ2WTT (KH0XW) and Hiroyuki/JG7PSJ (KW2X) will be active as AH0BT during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via 7L1FPU. The team will try to be active using their own callsign before the contest (October 25-26th).

AH2, GUAM

Members of the Guam Contest Club will be active as AH2R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Kazuma/JG3RPL, Toshinobu/JI3ERV, Mikiawa/JR7OMD and Miyazawa/JP7DKQ. QSL via LoTW or direct to JH7QXJ. PLEASE DO NOT QSL via the KH2 Bureau.

C45, CYPRUS

Spyros, 5B4MF, will be active using his special callsign C45T for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Low- Power entry. QSL via address on QRZ.com, or by the Bureau or LoTW.

CP8, BOLIVIA

Peter, DF7NX, is now active as CP8MW from Bolivia until October 23rd. Activity will be on the 30-10 meters mostly CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

CR2, AZORES

Kim, OH6KZP, will be active as CR2X from Ribeira Grande during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All- Band/High-Power entry. QSL via OH2BH. For more details, visit the CR2X Web page at:

http://www.cu2a.com

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Reminder/Update)

PRESS RELEASE - date October 20th [edited]:

> "Murray/WA4DAN and Ron/AA4VK announce that everything is set for their operation from Sable Island beginning October 22-31st. The weather forecast for Monday looks good, at this time. The only concern is the beach conditions. Rain is forecast for Sunday which could potentially affect the 'beach runway'. Travel to Sable Island is always problematic. Often, when conditions in Halifax are good, conditions at Sable Island are not good and visa versa. Also, the 'old' Britten-Norman Islander aircraft is not equipped with modern instrumentation, which limits the conditions under which it is safe to fly between the mainland of Nova Scotia and Sable Island. We were unsuccessful in two previous attempts to visit Sable Island. We are optimistic that Monday will be a 'GO'.
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> As previously advertised, our focus will be on 10, 12, and 15 meters, where the demand for CY0 is greatest, and especially on 10M, where new DX'ers, with modest stations, have the best opportunity to work 'a new one'. Also, we plan to be active in the upcoming CQWW Phone contest on 10, 15, 20, and 40 meters to provide CY0.
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> We would like to thank Gerry Forbes, Officer-in-Charge for Sable Island for being so helpful in trying to make this, our third attempt, successful. In addition, we would like to express our appreciation to Gary, VE1RGB, who has provided invaluable logistical support in Halifax, Nova Scotia, the departure point for the flight to Sable Island.

Monitor **www.cy0dxpedition.com** for the latest updates."

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK

With more and more DXpeditions putting their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them (possibly) each week. For this week's listings:

2011 - D4C Cape Verde (CQWW WPX SSB Contest): **http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JVc-CTHU6z0**
2011 - D4C Cape Verde (CQWW DX SSB Contest): **http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xSruNHc9o0I**
1990 - XU8DX - XU8CW Phnom Penh, Cambodia: **http://vimeo.com/30892749**
1989 - XW8DX - XW8CW Vientiane, Laos: **http://vimeo.com/30307643**
1988 - 3W8DX - 3W8CW Hanoi, Vietnam: **http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wJ39iNDVfD4**

If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use, and we will publish it.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS

Operators Andrea/IK1PMR and YL Claudia/PA3LEO will be active as EA8/homecall from Tenerife Island (AF-004, S-012 for the Spanish Islands Award, WLOTA LH-1276) between December 3rd and February 12th (2013). Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters. Andrea will operate CW and Claudia will operate RTTY. QSL via their home callsign, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail requests accepted). Watch Andrea's Web site for updates and more details at:

http://www.ik1pmr.com

ED9, CEUTA AND MELILLA

Operators Con/DF4SA, Frank/DL2CC, Zoli/HA1AG, Laszlo/HA3NU and Mark/N5OT will be active as ED9Z from Ceuta during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. The group will be using all Spiderbeam antennas and a 40m 3 element full size beam. QSL via EA9LZ.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS

Juan, EA8CAC, will be active as EF8R from Gran Canaria Island (AF-004) during the CQWW DX SSB SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power/SO2R entry. QSL via direct to EB7DX or LoTW.

FG, GUADELOUPE

Yann, F1NGP, President of the French Clipperton DX Club, is now active as FG/F1NGP from Saint Francois (Grid FK96IF), **Guadeloupe (NA-102)** until about October 26th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

FG, GUADELOUPE

Gildas, TU5KG, is now active as FG/TU5KG from Guadeloupe until October 24th. Activity will be holiday style operating mainly RTTY and SSB. QSL via F4DXW, direct only.

FG, GUADELOUPE

Yann, F5UTN, will be active as FG/F5UTN from Guadeloupe between October 23rd and November 1st. Activity will be holiday style operating mainly CW and SSB. He will also be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band or Single-Band (15m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

GJ, JERSEY

Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ2A from **Jersey Island (EU-013)** during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW, or direct to GJ3DVC.

HK, COLOMBIA

Pepin, CO2TK, will be active as HK3TK during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via F5CWU direct.

HR, HONDURAS

Operators Dan/HR2DMR, HQ2DOM and Johnny/HQ2JCM will be active as HR2WW during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via KD4POJ.

HS, THAILAND

Anothai, HS8FLU, from Nuakhlong Krabi will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL.

HS25, THAILAND (Special Event)

Look for special event station HS25DX to be active from Kao Kluay in Surathani Province in the south part of Thailand from October 27-28th. Activity is to celebrate the 25th anni- versary of the "100watts Magazine". Activity will include an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). QSL via E20PFE.

IOTA NEWS

AS-060. Members of the Korea Contest Club (KCC) will be active as D93I from **Pigum Island** between October 21-29th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using a beam antenna for HF, 4-square for 40m and vertical for 80m. They will also be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). QSL via DS4NYE direct or LoTW.

EU-050. Carlo, IK4JQQ, will be celebrating his 25th year on amateur radio by being active as IL7/IK4JQQ from **San Domino Island**, Tremiti Islands, between October 21-23rd. Activity will be on the HF bands and possibly the satellites. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

NA-027. Operators Gus/VO1MP and George/K5KG will be active as VD1M from **Newfoundland Island** during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via VO1MP.

OC-160. Akira, JA1NLX, is now active as JA1NLX/VK4 from **Hamilton Island** until October 23rd. Activity will be on the 40-10 meters on the IOTA frequencies using CW, SSB and RTTY.

He will use an Elecraft KX3 with Juma PA100D into a random wire wound on fishing pole and radials with ATU or Loop wire with ATU. It will be mounted on the room balcony. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW. Log will be upload onto ClubLog and LoTW server when he returns home. For more details and updates, watch the following Web pages at:

http://www.ne.jp/asahi/ja1nlx/ham/VK4_2012.html
http://ja1nlx-aki.blogspot.jp/search/label/JA1NLX%2FVK4_2012

OC-271. (NEW IOTA). Operators Joppy/YB8XM and Andy/YC0MVP will activate the new IOTA **Babar Island** during the first week of November. The specific dated are November 1-8th. QSL via YB9BU. Look for updates on Joppy Twitter account or Blog page at:

https://twitter.com/YB8XM
http://oc271.blogspot.jp

SA-087. Operators Ruben/LU3XEM, Luis/LU3XEI, Edgar/LU5VAT and Carlos/ LU7DSY will be active as LT0X from **Penguin Island** between November 2-4th. There has been no activity from this island for 12 years. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/12/10 meters, possibly 6 meters, using CW, SSB and PSK31, with three stations active on the air. QSL via LU7DSY.

KG4, GUAM

John, KF4EME, will be active as KG4EM from Guantanamo Bay during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All- Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via KB7GJ.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 22-28th)

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Oct/22nd  AN      Oct/25th  AN      Oct/27th  AN
Oct/23rd  AN      Oct/26th  AN      Oct/28th  AN
Oct/24th  AN
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SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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 NORMALITY                GEOMAG       K Values    Alpha
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AN  - Above Normal        Quiet        K=0-1       0-7
HN  - High Normal         Unsettled    K=2         8-15
LN  - Low Normal          Active       K=3         16-29
BN  - Below Normal        Minor Storm  K=4         30-49
DIS - Disturbed           Major Storm  K=5         50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed  Severe Storm K=6-9       100-400
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KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

Operators Bob/K3EST, Fred/K9VV and Philip/KT3Y will be active as KP2M from the Radio Reef Contest Station on **St. Croix (NA-106)** during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi- Single entry. QSL via AI4U and LoTW. Look for the operators to possibly be active outside of the contest as KP2/homecall. They will be there between November 22-27th. For more details about the KP2M station, see:

http://www.radioreef.com

LX, LUXEMBOURG

Philippe/LX2A will be active as LX7I during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. He states that he will be using a new setup and antennas for the contest. QSL via LX2A. Visit the LX2A Web page at:

http://www.lx2a.com

OH0, ALAND ISLAND

Look for OH0Z to be active once again in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th), but as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Operator will be Tomi/OH6EI. QSL via W0MM.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND

Kim, OH6KZP, will be active as OH0X from Aland Island during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. QSL via OH2TA.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND

Pekka, OH2YY, will be active as OH0YY during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op (possibly as a Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via OH2YY.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND

Waldemar, SM0TQX, will be active as OH0JFP during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m or 10m) entry. QSL via OH0JFP, by the Bureau or direct.

P4, ARUBA

Valery, R5GA, will once again be active as P4/R5GA from Oranjestad (P49V/P40YL Aruba Ham Radio Rental - see **www.p49v.com**) between November 22-28th. Activity will be on CW mainly on 160-10 meters, especially on the 30/17/12 meters. Operations will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry using the callsign P40F. QSL via UA3DX. QSL P4/R5GA via R5GA, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE

Operators Paul/K1XM, Al/W1FJ, John/K4BAI and Jeff/KU8E will be active as PJ4A from the "PJ4G Radio House" on Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) during CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. The team will be on the island between November 20-27th. Outside the contest, operators will be active as PJ4/homecall. QSL PJ4A, PJ4/K4BAI and PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI. QSL PJ4/K1XM and PJ4/W1FJ via their home callsigns. Check out the "PJ4G Radio House" at:

http://www.pj4g.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS

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QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated October 21st)
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4L/UA1AMM via UA1FA          EG8TT via EA8URT            OO5ZZ via ON5ZZ
5W1SA via JA1DXA             F/I1UWF via I1UWF           OZ1BIKE via OZ1ACB
9A55AX via 9A4J              HB9/SN0HST via SP3SLU       S505SLG via S59DCD
9H3CZ via OK1CZ              HB9HST via HB9JOE           S512IAPMC via S59DCD
CO8TW via HB9SVT             HI3/KL7JR via KL7JR (d)     T30PY via PY2PT
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CT9/DL6MLA via DL6MLA       MW6VOW via EB7DX           TM5BRT via F5THW
D2QR via RW6HS (d)          MX0LDG via M0URX           XV4Y via OK1DOT (d)
DQ0STRATEX via DK4REX       OG3077F via OH3JF          XX9THX via EA7FTR
EG5MAT via EA5BX            OK8EU via OK1BZ
           (d) direct only   (B) Bureau only  (L) LoTW only
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5U5U, 5U6E AND 5U8NK LOGS are now available online at:
https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=5U5U
https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=5U6e
https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=5U8NK
QSL via their home callsigns (see **(QRZ.com)**)

PREVIEW THE 7O6T QSL CARD on "DX-World.net at:

http://dx-world.net/2012/qsl-card-preview-7o6t

UK TO PHASE OUT IRCS. Phil, G3SWH, received the following info from the Royal Mail:

> "Due to declining international mail volumes and electronic substitution, customer demand for International Reply Coupons has been falling dramatically over the last few years. Overall sales of Inter- national Reply Coupons have been very low indeed - on average just 4 per annum bought from each Post Office branch. Therefore, it was no longer commercially viable to maintain the sale of coupons and Royal Mail has taken the decision to withdraw them from sale.
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> International Reply Coupons have not been withdrawn globally from sale. Under UPU regulations Royal Mail through Post Office Counters is obliged to redeem International Reply Coupons presented having been purchased overseas, but we are not obliged to sell them. However, I can confirm that customers have up to December 2013 to redeem IRCs."
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> Phil states, "This seems to be much more in line with the Royal Mail's responsibilities under their UPU membership. Looks like they're safe until 31st December 2013. It may be that the UPU will change their rules after that date (which would be no bad thing IMHO)."
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> **QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3A6TS, CT1ILT, DU3/N0QM, EW8DJ, IZ2OBS, PF7DKW, S57S, T6LG, T6MO, UN5J, UR3IFD, UR5MSW and XM2I**
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> **QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2AG/p, D3AA, CY9M, EX2F, FK/JJ2NYT, FW0NAR, HB0/DL2SBY, KH8/W8GEX and YE0M**
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> **QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: CY9M**

SI9, SWEDEN

Operators Jef/DD2CW, Marcel/ON6UQ and Dirk/ONL741 will operate as SI9AM between October 24-31st, from the "King Chulalongkorn Memorial" in Raganda. They will be in the CQ WW SSB DX Contest (October 27-28th). Outside of the contest, they will be active on all HF bands.

Main frequencies:
CW - 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960 and 28510 kHz
FM - 145.550 MHz and Repeater RV49 - 145.612 MHz.

QSL via SM3CVM, Bureau cards can be requested by E-mail to: **info(at)si9am.se**
Visit the SI9AM Web page at: **http://www.si9am.se**

SILENT KEY

OPDX was informed that Théo Jacobs, ON4LEP, become a Silent key (SK) on October 12th. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of ON4LEP.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI

The Brazilian team will go QTH as T30PY (HF) and T30SIX (6m, EME on WSJT-JT65A) from Tarawa Island (OC-017) this week on October 25th. According to the ClubLog Web page, as of 0842z, October 19th, T30PY has made 15652 QSOs with 6369 unique callsigns (6994/CW and 8235/SSB and 423/RTTY). Breakdown by continent is: 58/AF, 0/AN, 7606/AS, 2484/EU, 3823/NA, 883/OC and 798/SA. QSL via PY2PT, direct, by the Bureau ("Estimation to reply: at least, 3 years."), or by their OQRS on the Web page. For more details, see:

http://www.mdxc.org/t30py

T33, BANABA (Update)

A group of 14 operators, who was expected to be led by Jay/W2IJ and David/N1EMC for a DXpedition to Banaba for March/ April 2013 (see **OPDX.1079**), has now been cancelled according to "The Daily DX". The cancellation is the "result of logistical issues that occurred this (past) week. They are re-evaluating the issues and hope to activate the island later on in 2013."

T4, CUBA

Operators Carlos/CO6CAC, Jose/CO6EC, Hector/CO6HLP, Orelvis/ CO6LC, Luis/CO6LE, Luis/CO6LP, Yordany/CO6YAC, Edor/CO7PH and Jose/CM8AKD will be active as T46A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via EA5GL.

T6, AFGHANISTAN

Eric, K9GY, will be active as T6MO during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m or possibly 15m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via K9GY.

T8, PALAU

Three JA operators will activate the "West Plaza By The Sea Hotel Rental Shack" on **Palau Islands (OC-009)** over the next month. Their activities should be on all bands and modes. Currently, operators Kunio/ JO1AEC and Hideyuki/JM1LJS will be active as T88EC and T80W, respectively, until October 23rd. This will be followed by Mazshita/JF2SKV as T88KV between October 26-30th. He will be

active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) [for more details, see **OPDX.1079**]. Then look for Toshiharu, JA3JND, to be active as T88ON between November 9-13th. QSL T88EC via JO1AEC, T80W via JM1LJS and T88ON via JA3JND. For details on the "West Plaza By The Sea Hotel Rental Shack", see:

http://palau.rental-shack.com/english

TF, ICELAND

Members of the IRA club (Íslenskir radíóamatörar) will be active as TF3W during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Jon/TF3ZA, Bjorn/SM0MDG, Patrik/SM0MLZ and Ulf/SM0NOR. QSL via TF3W, by the Bureau or direct.

TK, CORSICA

Salvatore, IK8UND, will be active as TK9R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Look for possible activity on CW and RTTY before the contest. QSL via IK8UND direct ONLY.

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update)

The 2013 Cordell Expedition to Clipperton Island posted the following on October 15th [edited]:

> "The March, 2013 DXpedition to Clipperton Island has received the callsign TX5K to be used during the operation. With the addition of Luis/XE1L, Dave/WJ20, and Giovanni/I5JHW, the team has 23 members. One space remains available for another operator, scientist, or other supporter who wishes to join the DXpedition.
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> We are proud to announce that the QSL Manager will be Bob, N2OO. Offsite team member Dean, N7XG, is developing new software to help automate some of the operations at the QSL manager and his team.
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> The expedition will use DXA, the system that enables real-time Web display of the log data, first used on Kure Atoll K7C 2005, to provide confirmation of valid QSOs in about 1 minute after they are made. We will also make use of ClubLog and LoTW.
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> The DXpedition will be active on all HF bands and modes for about 10 days. In addition to the radio operations, the team will carry out numerous scientific projects of environmental science, especially involving studying invasive and undiscovered species that have potential for catastrophic disruption of the Clipperton ecosystem. The team will study vortex winds produced by the island, and will document foraging by congenitally deformed birds. Advisor Robert Pitman reports that a significant portion of the masked boobies are deformed and apparently are fed by their parents their entire lives.

The DXpedition is very pleased to acknowledge a personal gift from a world-famous ham of 10,000 USDs. While preferring to remain anonymous, the donor hopes that his gift will stimulate others to support the project. A particularly interesting activity will be the real-time Internet video connection with students. After the expedition the students will write essays for a compendium to be titled 'Saving the World, by We the Students.' The publication is designed to be the first of a series of 'Saving the World, by...' The team also will collect and remove plastic debris from the island. You can help in these efforts by making a donation through the link on the Web site.

Complete information about the project is available on the Web site at **www.cordell.org/CI**. The project is being organized and will be led by: Bob KK6EK schmieder (a) cordell.org Chris DL1MGB Chris (a)DL1MGB.com "

VE2, CANADA (Zone 2)

Operator Yuri, VE3DZ, will once again be active as VE2IM from Sept-Iles, QC (Zone 2), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power or Low-Power entry. Yuri states that he will be there between October 23-30th. This is his 17th trip to Zone 2 since 1999. Activity before and after the contest will be on CW, SSB and RTTY, and all HF bands including the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL via VE3DZ, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

VK0H, HEARD ISLAND (Update)

A recent update, dated October 15th, was posted on the Heard Island (The 2014 Cordell Expedition) Web page at:

http://www.cordell.org/HD

Under "News" it states [edited]:

"We have posted updates of the Project Description (version 5.2)
http://www.cordell.org/HD/HD_pages/HD_Documents.html
and the TEAM.

We are pleased to welcome Steve Chamberlian/VK6IR and William (Wild Bill) Beyer/N2WB to the radio team. We also welcome several other persons to the offsite team, including Yasuo "Zorro" Miyazawa/JH1AJT, Tommy Horozakis/VK2IR, and Christopher Wells/N9LXR. Wells is implementing a real-time interactive video capability for the Clipperton Expedition (see below), and will do the same for Heard Island.

We are also pleased to welcome Dr. Robert Pitman, NOAA Southwest Fisheries Science Center in La Jolla, California. Pitman is a world expert on killer whales. Killer whales are arguably one of the most recognizable, and best- studied, large animals on earth, yet basic

questions about how many species there are and how they function within the ecosystem remain unanswered. Pitman has assembled evidence for the existence of a new species of killer whale in Antarctic waters, in the area that the Heard Island expedition will be travelling. Pitman will be on the Heard Island cruise to search confirm the proposed new whale species. Confirming new species in Antarctic waters would highlight the fact that our knowledge of marine biodiversity is perhaps even more rudimentary than currently recognized.

Please note the connection between the 2014 Heard Island Project and the 2013 Clipperton Expedition **www.cordell.org/CI**. Some of the same team members will be implementing some of the same science projects on Clipper- ton that we expect to carry out at Heard Island. While being a major expedition on its own, Clipperton is also a development and test project for Heard Island. Because of this close relationship, we hope that sponsors will support both projects."

VP2M, MONTSERRAT (Update)

Operators (YL) Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG will once again be on another DXpedition. This time they will be active as VP2MYL and VP2MGZ, respectively, from **Montserrat (NA-103**, WLOTA 1475) between November 5-20th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using mainly RTTY, PSK31, PSK63 and SSB, on the usual DX frequencies. QSL via DL7AFS, by the Bureau or direct to: Baerbel Linge, Eichwaldstr. 86, D-34123 Kassel, Germany. Lot states, "We hope to have an internet access for online log because our QTH is in the north part of Montserrat." For more information and updates, visit their Web site at:

http://www.qsl.net/dl7afs

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS

Steve, W3HF, will be active as VQ9HF from Diego Garcia Island until the end of October. Activity will be on the HF bands, but with a focus on PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

XX9, MACAO

Operators Francisco/EA7FTR (XX9TFR), Eugene/EA5HPX (XX9TPX), Jose/EB5BBM (XX9TBM) and David/EB7DX (XX9TEX) are now active from Pousada de Coloane Hotel, Coloane Island (AS-075) until October 29th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY, with at least 2 stations on at the same time on different bands and modes. Suggested frequencies were published in **OPDX.1081**. There will be an emphasis on working NA and EU. QSLs for all callsigns are via EA7FTR, direct. All QSOs will be confirmed via LoTW. For more details and updates, see:

http://adxg.org/macau/index.php

ZP9, PARAGUAY

Manu, ZP9MCE, announced that he will be active in both the CQWW DX SSB

Contest (October 27-28th) and CQWWDX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/Low-Power entry. QSL only via EA5ZD.

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